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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed on June 2, 2006, applicants respectfully elect Species II, Figs. 3 and 5, with traverse. Applicants respectfully submit that Species II and III belong together because the light source is located in the light guide as commonly shown in Figs. 4 and 5. In fact, the embodiment in Figs. 4 and 5 are the same and corrections to the specification are filed herewith to make that point clear. Applicants apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. Further, applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims, 1-3 and 5-20, all read on the elected Species II (and Species III). Applicants respectfully submit that the attached amendments to the specification will clarify this point.

**Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.**

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